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PART I

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT ORDERS

FINANCE SECRETARIAT

Reviews the Administration Report under the Betting Tax Act, 1932, for the years 1965-66 and 1966-67.

READ—

Letter No. CT. BET. ADM/PR-10/67-68, dated 21st June 1968, from the Commissioner of Commercial Taxes in Mysore, Bangalore.

ORDER No. FD 11 CRC 67, BANGALORE, DATED THE 30TH NOVEMBER 1968.

Recorded.

2. The Commissioner of Commercial Taxes in Mysore, Bangalore, has forwarded the Administration Reports for the years 1965-66 and 1966-67, under the Betting Tax Act, 1932.

3. The Mysore Betting Tax Act, 1932 has had its practical applicability only in Bangalore and in Mysore where bettings on horse races are conducted. Tax at 15 per cent of the gross receipts on bettings is payable in respect of Bangalore races while in respect of Mysore races 5 per cent is chargeable. The higher rates of tax is indicative of the fact that larger crowds consisting mostly of people from the affluent section of the society all over India participate in the races at Bangalore. The salubrious climatic conditions of the place and participation of class horses are the other important items of attraction for larger number of sports enthusiasts and sports admirers to turn up. The races at Mysore, not being very colourful and attractive, they are only confined mostly to local enthusiasts and that is why a low rate of tax is chargeable. The Bangalore races are conducted by the Bangalore Turf Club and the races at Mysore are however conducted under the aegis of the Bangalore Turf Club though the State Government usually grants two separate licences to cover the meets of the two places.

4. During 1965-66, there were 19 big and 9 Gymkhana meetings at Bangalore whereas the corresponding figures of 1966-67 are 16 and 8 respectively. There were no meets during 1965-66 at Mysore for the obvious reason that there were too many races in that season at Bangalore whereas in 1966-67, there were 4 big and 7 Gymkhana meetings.

5. The total tax realised in Bangalore and Mysore during 1965-66 and 1966-67 were as under :—

(1) BIG MEETINGS

Place	1965-66			1966-67		
	Book maker	Totalizator	Total	Book maker	Totalizator	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Bangalore	28,94,518-00	93,034-20	29,87,542-20	24,61,385-25	9,25,757-95	33,87,143-20
Mysore	—	—	—	60,301-25	14,277-35	74,668-60
Total	28,94,518-00	93,034-20	29,87,542-20	25,21,776-50	9,40,035-30	34,61,811-85

(2) GYMKHANA RACES

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Bangalore	2,53,686-75	1,46,534-70	4,00,221-45	159,705-25	1,84,484-25	3,44,187-50
Mysore	—	—	—	31,031-50	15,132-95	47,064-45
Total	2,53,686-75	1,46,534-70	4,00,221-45	1,91,634-75	1,99,617-20	3,91,251-95

6. According to the statistics shown above, Book makers and totalizators tax collections of 1965-66 both in respect of big and Gymkhana meetings compare favourably with those of the corresponding figures of 1966-67. This is due to the reason that the number of races of 1965-66 season was more than that of 1966-67.

7. The administration on the whole for the years 1965-66 and 1966-67 was satisfactory.

By Order and in the name of the Governor of Mysore

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Finance Department.